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TO USIA WASHDC PRIORITY
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USIAC FOR IAA ASSISTANT DIRECTOR DAWSON FROM AMBASSADOR

DEPARTMENT FOR AF/EX KRYZA

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SUBJECT: USIA 4TH AND TRANSITION QUARTER BUDGET FOR BANGUI

REF: A. USIA 10060 B. USIA 11735 C. USIA 11726

1. I GREATLY APPRECIATE RECENT FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION SHOWN
TO OUR CULTURAL OUTREACH PROGRAM ESPECIALLY PROMOTION FOR LOCAL
EMPLOYEES (REFTEL A) AND BADLY-NEEDED INCREASE IN DSA (REFTEL B).

2. AS AGENCY AWARE POST GOE SUFFICIENT ONLY FOR SALARIES OF
LOCAL EMPLOYEES AND MISCELLANEOUS SUPPORT COSTS SUCH AS POSTAGE.
EMBASSY HAS DEVELOPED IMAGINATIVE CULTURAL PROGRAM FOR BICENTENNIAL
TO INCLUDE APPEARANCES BY AMERICAN FOLKSINGER LUZETTE GRAVES AND
LECTURER BERNARD SINSHEIMER UNDER ARS PROGRAM FROM PARIS,
MOUNTING OF EXHIBIT "LIFE LIBERTY AND THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS" AND
PRESENTATION OF CLASSIC FEATURE FILM "DRUMS ALONG THE MOHAWK."

3. LOCAL COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THESE PROGRAMS ESTIMATED AT
\$1,200 ARE AS FOLLOWS:

GRAVES - 2 PERFORMANCES AT \$75 EACH PLUS FOUR DAYS PER DIEM AT \$43
AND SINSHEIMER - PER DIEM FOR FOUR DAYS; LOCAL PUBLICITY FOR BOTH PER
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FORMERS DLRS 250; RENTAL OF PERFORMING CENTER DLRS 200; AND MOUNTING,
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WIRING AND EXPOSING OF EXHIBIT DLRS 250. THIS FIGURES DOES NOT INCLUDE

TWO REPRESENTATIONAL FUNCTIONS FOR GRAVES AND SINSHEIMER AT MY
RDSIDENCE WHICH WILL COME OUT OF EMBASSY'S REPRESENTATIONAL BUDGET.

4. ALTHOUGH I RECOGNIZE BUDGETARY STRINGENCIES UNDER WHICH AGENCY
MUST OPERATE, I NONETHELESS HOPE THAT FOURTH QUARTER GOE ESTIMATES
(REF C) CAN BE INCREASED BY THIS MODEST AMOUNT IN ORDER TO MAKE IT
POSSIBLE FOR US TO DEVELOPE A MORE VIGOROUS PROGRAM FOR OUR MUCH
NEGLECTED TARGET AUDIENCES HERE.QUAINTON

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